

**RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY
MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING**

18 OCTOBER 2006

A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on the above date in the RI Department of Health, Health Policy Forum, Providence, Rhode Island. A quorum was established and the Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Board members in attendance were:

Henry Levin, DMD, Vice -Chairman

Richard Glick, DDS

Andrew Molak, DMD

Mary Lou Buonaccorsi

Bernard Manchester

Kathleen Gazzola, RDH, Secretary

Joseph Box, DMD

Virginia Paine

Staff members in attendance were: Others in attendance were:

Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator Dr. Robin Lawrence

Board members not in attendance: Staff members not in attendance:
Francis Connor, DDS, Chairman Gregory Madoian, Legal Counsel
Michael Rubinstein, DDS
John Smith

The Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to approve the “Open Minutes” of the 27 September 2006 meeting. Upon motion of Dr. Molak, seconded by Mrs. Gazzola, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as presented.

Dental Licensing Sub-Committee:

Dr. Glick reported that he had reviewed the applications and credentials of the following candidate and recommends them for licensure:

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Kristen J. Zitterell,, DMD National Board & Nerb (03)
Tufts University 5/03
Licensed in Ohio

Michael Dominov, DDS National Board & NERB (82)
Northwestern Univ 6/82

Licensed in MA

Pending receipt of AADE & NPDB Forms

Upon motion of Dr. Molak, seconded by Mrs. Gazzola, it was Voted by the Board to issue the aforementioned individuals licenses to practice dentistry in the State of Rhode Island.

Dr. Glick reported that the application and credentials of Dr. Steven Black had been reconsidered for licensure. He advised that it has been verified that Dr. Black has met all the terms of his agreement with the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry. And is currently licensed and in good standing in the State of Massachusetts. Upon motion of Mrs. Gazzola, seconded by Dr. Molak, the Board* voted to grant Dr. Black a one-year probationary license contingent upon his entering into an agreement with the Board whereby he will be required to work under the supervision of a licensed dentist.

*** Dr. Joseph Box voted against granting a license to Dr. Black, all other members voted in favor of the terms of Dr. Black's licensure and the motion passed.**

Dental Hygiene Licensing Sub-Committee:

Mrs. Gazzola reported that after reviewing the application and credentials of the following candidate, it was determined that she met the qualifications for certification to administer local anesthesia. The

Committee recommends the following candidate be issued a local anesthesia permit:

Claudia M. Cooper DH00611

Local Anesthesia Training Bristol Comm. College 2006

Examination NERB Anesthesia Exam 8/06

Upon motion of Ms. Paine, seconded by Dr. Molak, it was Voted by the Board to issue the aforementioned individual a dental hygiene permit to administer local anesthesia.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the “Open Session” and enter into “Closed Executive Session” for the purpose of discussing disciplinary matters pursuant to the applicable exceptions of the “Open Meeting Law”, so called of Chapter 42-46-5 sub-division (1) and (4) of the General Laws. Upon motion by Dr. Box, seconded by Mr. Manchester, the Board voted unanimously to enter into “Executive Session” at 8:55 a.m.

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Dr. Lawrence recused himself from the meeting at this time.

The Board returned to “Open Session” at 9:10 a.m.

At this time, Dr. Lawrence returned to the open meeting.

Dr. Levin requested that any decisions ratified as well as, any public business discussed during the “Closed Executive Session” be made public for the record, to be disclosed in the “Open Meeting”.

Decisions Ratified in Closed Session

There were no decisions ratified, nor any public business discussed, during the Closed Executive Session to be reported.

Sealing of the Closed Executive Minutes

The Chairman called for a motion to seal the minutes of the “Closed Executive Session” of 27 September 2006 meeting pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Dr. Rubinstein, the Board Voted unanimously to seal the minutes.

At this time, the Board reviewed and discussed correspondence from Dr. Jerry Fingerut regarding licensure of foreign trained dentists. The Board reviewed and approved Mr. Charles Alexander’s response to Dr. Fingerut

Mrs. Gazzola reported that the Rules & Regulations Sub-Committee met as scheduled at CCRI on October 17, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. However due to the non-attendance of several members, the attending committee members (Kathleen Gazzola, Linda Rusack, Mary Lou

Buonaccorsi, and Virginia Paine) had an informal meeting and discussed the regulatory changes needed to effectuate dental hygienists working under general supervision in nursing homes (i.e.) record keeping, initial screening, etc.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 15 November 2006 in the Director's Conference (Room 401).

Upon motion of Dr. Glick, seconded by Dr. Box, it was unanimously VOTED by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Henry Levin, DDS, Vice-Chairman
RI Board of Examiners in Dentistry**